

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 960

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served July 2, 1969

Order Instituting Investigation	)	Docket No. 203
to Determine the Impact of	)	
Charter and Sightseeing Operations	)	
of D. C. Transit System, Inc.	)	

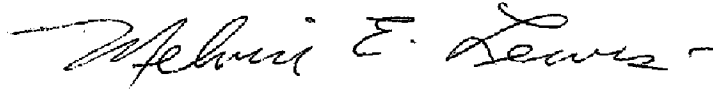
Commission Regulation 60-09 states that "[a]t all times Regular Route Operations shall have priority over Charter and Special Operations with respect to the assignment of equipment and drivers." The Commission staff has had occasion to investigate instances of apparent non-compliance with this regulation. On the other hand, the Commission is aware that charter and sightseeing revenues are substantial and significant in the operation of the company, and that perhaps some charter and sightseeing operations may reasonably be conducted during rush hours. Therefore, in order to ascertain more precisely the practices of D. C. Transit System, Inc., in conducting charter operations during the rush hours, its policies in assigning drivers and vehicles to various of its services during rush hours, to determine more fully the impact of its charter and sightseeing operations on its regular route operations, and in order to determine the adequacy of our own regulations, we will undertake an investigation of these matters.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That an investigation be undertaken by the Commission staff to examine the practices of the D. C. Transit System, Inc., in providing charter and sightseeing services during rush hours, and the relationship of those practices to the adequacy of service in its regular route operations.

2. That the Commission staff report its findings to the Commission, together with recommendations for regulations to set specific constraints on the use of mass-transit buses for charter and sightseeing activity.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Melvin E. Lewis". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

MELVIN E. LEWIS  
Executive Director